

§§ 1943.95–1943.99 [Reserved]

§ 1943.100 State supplements.

State supplements will be issued as necessary to implement this subpart.

**EXHIBIT A TO SUBPART B OF PART 1943—
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN THE BUREAU OF RECLAMA-
TION, DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
AND THE FARMERS HOME ADMINIS-
TRATION OR ITS SUCCESSOR AGENCY
UNDER PUBLIC LAW 103-354, DEPART-
MENT OF AGRICULTURE**

Whereas, under section 8 of the 1977 Drought Emergency Act (P.L. 95-18), hereafter referred to as “the Act,” the Bureau of Reclamation (BR) is authorized to make loans to irrigators for the purpose of undertaking construction, management, conservation activities, or the acquisition and transportation of water, which can be expected to have an effect in mitigating losses and damages resulting from the 1976-1977 drought period;

Whereas, the Farmers Home Administration (FmHA) or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 has an existing soil and water program (SW) authorized by section 304 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act for loans to individuals that accomplish purposes similar to those in the Act;

Whereas, it is more efficient and in the best interests of the United States, and in accordance with section 6 of the Act, for BR to procure the services of FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 pursuant to the terms of the Economy Act of 1932 (31 U.S.C. 686) to make and service loans to individual irrigators as authorized by the Act.

Now therefore the parties agree:

1. For purposes of this Memorandum the term *irrigators* shall mean any person or legal entity who holds a valid existing water right for irrigation purposes within the Federal reclamation projects. Federal reclamation projects means any project constructed or funded under Federal reclamation law and specifically including projects having approved loans under the Small Reclamation Projects Act of 1956, as amended.

2. FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 shall make and service loans to individual irrigators as authorized by the Act pursuant to its SW program and applicable FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 regulations except as modified hereby.

3. The loans shall be only for the purposes relating specifically to irrigation and set forth in FmHA Instruction 443.2, IVA1, A8, B1, B2, and C. The loans shall be interest

free. Loans for water acquisition and transportation shall be repaid over a period not to exceed 5 years. Other loans shall be repaid over a period not to exceed 5 years except such loans which generate benefits which are usable beyond 1977 shall be repaid within a period which shall be the shorter of the estimated useful life of the facilities or the reasonable payment capacity of the irrigator but in no event to exceed 40 years. All loans shall be obligated not later than September 30, 1977, and any construction related to any loan must be completed by November 30, 1977.

4. Services rendered by FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 pursuant to this Memorandum of Understanding shall be on a nonreimbursable basis to the irrigator. For services rendered, BR shall pay to FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 a charge of 5 percent of principal of each loan. BR directs that FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 disburse such service charge to itself directly upon the closing of each loan.

5. Three million dollars shall be transferred to FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 by Standard Form 1151, which amount shall be available for construction, management, and conservation activities. An additional sum of \$5 million may be made available upon request of FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 for the acquisition and transportation of water.

6. *Monthly Report:* FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 shall submit a Standard Form 133, “Report on Budget Execution”, in accordance with OMB Circular A-34, to the Bureau of Reclamation, Washington, D.C. 20240, attention code 370.

7. *Accomplishment:* FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 shall submit to the Bureau of Reclamation, Washington, D.C. 20240, attention code 400, a complete report on expenditures and accomplishments under this Memorandum on January 16, 1978.

Date of June 29, 1977.

Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior,

R. KEITH HIGGINSON,
Commissioner.

Dated: July 15, 1977.

Farmers Home Administration or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354, Department of Agriculture,

MARTY HOLLERAN,
for Gordon Cavanaugh,
Administrator.

ATTACHMENT

AMENDATORY-MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE BUREAU OF RECLAMATION, DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR AND THE FARMERS HOME ADMINISTRATION OR ITS SUCCESSOR AGENCY UNDER PUBLIC LAW 103-354, DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

WHEREAS, the Bureau of Reclamation (BR) and the Farmers Home Administration (FmHA) or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 consummated a Memorandum of Understanding on July 15, 1977, whereby BR would procure the services of FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 pursuant to the terms of the Economy Act of 1932 (31 U.S.C. 686) to make and service loans to individual irrigators as authorized by section 8 of the 1977 Drought Emergency Act (Pub. L. 95-18); and

WHEREAS, item 3 of that Memorandum of Understanding provides in part that all loans shall be obligated not later than September 30, 1977, and any construction related to any loan must be completed by November 30, 1977; and

WHEREAS, Pub. L. 95-107, enacted on August 17, 1977, amends Pub. L. 95-18 to accomplish, among other things, an extension of the time for completing construction activities under the authorities of Pub. L. 95-18 from November 30, 1977, to January 31, 1978.

NOW THEREFORE the parties agree that the date November 30, 1977, in the last sentence of item 3 of the Memorandum of Understanding executed by BR on June 29, 1977, and FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 on July 15 1977, be revised to January 31, 1978, so that the sentence will read, "All loans shall be obligated not later than September 30, 1977, and any construction related to any loan must be completed by January 31, 1978."

Date of September 6, 1977.

Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior,

R. KEITH HIGGINSON,
Commissioner.

Farmers Home Administration or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354, Department of Agriculture,

GORDON CAVANAUGH,
Administrator.

SEPTEMBER 7, 1977.

Subpart C—Small Farmer Outreach Training and Technical Assistance Program

SOURCE: 59 FR 66443, Dec. 27, 1994, unless otherwise noted.

§ 1943.101 General.

This subpart provides procedures for administration of the Small Farmer Outreach Training and Technical Assistance Program whereby an 1890 or other eligible educational institution or community-based organization as referenced in § 1943.105 of this subpart, also referred to as the recipient, enters into a grant, cooperative, or other agreement with the Farm Service Agency (FSA) to provide outreach, training, and technical assistance to members of socially disadvantaged groups to own and operate farms and ranches and to participate in agricultural programs.

§ 1943.102 Objectives.

To meet the objectives of the program referenced in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section, FSA will fund grant agreements, cooperative agreements, or enter into Memorandums of Understanding (MOU) with recipients as referenced in § 1943.105 of this subpart, for Small Farmer Outreach Training and Technical Assistance Projects which are determined to meet the objectives of the program:

(a) The long-term objective of the Small Farmer Outreach Training and Technical Assistance Program is to keep small farmers, especially those who are members of socially disadvantaged groups, on the farm and strengthen the rural economy.

(b) An immediate objective of the Small Farmer Outreach Training and Technical Assistance Program is to encourage and assist members of socially disadvantaged groups to own and operate farms and ranches and to participate in agricultural programs.

§ 1943.103 Project period.

A cooperative agreement or other agreement will specify a project for a period generally of 5 years, with an option for renewal up to the 5-year period, subject to the availability of funds or termination of the project by mutual agreement or for cause.